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SUBJ: NPT REVCON--COMMITTEE I ACTIVITY, 14 MAY

1. COMMITTEE I RESUMED GENERAL DISCUSSION OF ITS AGENDA ITEMS 14

MAY. DEBATE AGAIN CENTERED ON ARTICLE VI, WITH SPEAKERS LARGELY

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REPEATING POINTS MADE PREVIOUSLY.

2. ON STRATEGIC ARMAMENTS, SWEDISH DEL REJECTED ANY "ARTIFICIAL TIME-TABLE" ON NEGOTIATIONS FOR STRATEGIC FORCE REDUCTIONS, BUT PROPOSED THAT SOME "PRECISE TIME-TABLE" FOR THESE NEGOTIATIONS BE INCLUDED IN CONFERENCE FINAL DOCUMENT AND CALLED ON US AND USSR TO MAKE A "REALISTIC PROPOSAL" FOR SUCH A TIME-TABLE. SIMILARLY, AUSTRALIAN DEL WELCOMED US EXPRESSED WILLINGNESS TO COMMENCE FOLLOW-ON NEGOTIATIONS ON FURTHER LIMITATIONS AND REDUCTIONS AS SOON AS POSSIBLE AFTER CONCLUSION OF SALT II AGREEMENT, ASKED SOVIETS TO MAKE "FIRM COMMITMENT" TO THE SAME EFFECT, AND CALLED FOR BEGINNING OF SUCH NEGOTIATIONS "WITHIN A DETERMINATE PERIOD OF TIME." BELGIAN DEL, TAKING ISSUE WITH MEXICAN PROTOCOL, SAID THAT QUANTITATIVE LIMITS MUST FLOW FROM NEGOTIATIONS AND CANNOT BE IMPOSED ON THE TWO PARTIES FROM OUTSIDE.

3. ON CTB, AUSTRALIAN DEL SAID THAT "FIRST AND POSSIBLY MOST PRODUCTIVE" TASK OF COMMITTEE SHOULD BE TO ACHIEVE CONSENSUS ON CTB, WHICH HE BELIEVED COULD BE NEGOTIATED NOW, GIVEN PROGRESS IN SEISMOLOGICAL FIELD WITH RESPECT TO VERIFICATION. AS "PRELIMINARY" TO CTB, HE SUGGESTED "VOLUNTARY RESTRAINTS" ON NUCLEAR TESTS, ACCEPTANCE OF A "SMALL AND DEFINED QUOTA," OR "PREFERABLY" A MORATORIUM ON ALL TESTS. SWEDEN PROPOSED COMPLETION OF CTB BY 1980.

4. ON SECURITY ASSURANCES, JAPANESE DEL EMPHASIZED NEED FOR "TANGIBLE RESULTS" FROM CONFERENCE: REGARDING POSITIVE ASSURANCES, HE SAID DELS SHOULD "FRANKLY" REALIZE THAT NOTHING BEYOND SC RES. 255 COULD BE EXPECTED. REGARDING NEGATIVE ASSURANCES, HE NOTED PROPOSALS ON NON-USE ASSURANCES IN CONNECTION WITH NFZS, BUT SAID JAPAN ALSO "STRONGLY HOPES" FOR MEASURES "OF A UNIVERSAL CHARACTER" WHICH, HE EMPHASIZED, SHOULD BE ACCEPTABLE TO NWS. SWEDISH DEL SUPPORTED NON-USE COMMITMENT BY NWS "TO REMOVE RISK THAT NNWS WILL BE SUBJECT TO NUCLEAR AGGRESSION", BUT RECOGNIZED THAT PRESENCE OF NUCLEAR WEAPONS ON TERRITORY OF NNWS ALLIES OF NWS ADDED "COMPLICATION" WHICH MIGHT BE SOLVED THROUGH A NON-FIRST-USE PLEDGE OF "POSITIVE GUARANTEES"; HE POINTEDLY ASKED NWS TO EXPLAIN EXACTLY WHY THEY WANTED TO KEEP OPEN OPTION OF USE AGAINST NNWS.

5. SWEDISH DEL ALSO WELCOMED PAST NWS STATEMENTS THAT THEY WOULD LIMIT OFFICIAL USE

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NOT DEPLOY MINI-NUKES IN SUCH A WAY AS TO BLUR DISTINCTION BETWEEN NUCLEAR AND CONVENTIONAL WARFARE, AND SUGGESTED THIS BE RECORDED IN FINAL CONFERENCE DOCUMENT.

6. OTHERWISE, ECUADOR SUPPORTED MEXICAN POINTS OF VIEW, AND JOINED IN SPONSORSHIP OF DOCUMENTS MEXICANS TABLED MAY 9. SWITZERLAND GAVE ANOTHER TROUBLESOME STATEMENT, THIS TIME DEMANDING LEGAL BINDING DOCUMENTS ON CTB AND NON-USE, AND ENDORSING THE

MEXICAN PROPOSALS. GHANA AND ROMANIA, IN TURN, SPOKE AT LENGTH
IN REPLY TO EE OPPOSITION TO NEGOTIATING PROTOCOLS OR INVOLVING
UNGA IN PREPARATIONS FOR 1980 REVIEW CONFERENCE.DALE

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